

## BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL (20MPH SPEED LIMIT) (THE EMBANKMENT, BEDFORD) ORDER 2020

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL in exercise of its powers under Sections 82(2), 83(2), 84(1) and 84(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act hereby makes the following Order:-

- This Order may be cited as the "Bedford Borough Council (20mph Speed Limit) (The Embankment, Bedford) Order 2020" and shall come into force on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2020.
- 2) As from the date upon which this Order comes into force any previous speed limit. Order made under the Act which relates to any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order shall be revoked in whole or in part as appropriate.
- 3) As from the date upon which this Order comes into force any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order shall cease to be a restricted road for the purposes of Section 81 of the Act.
- 4) No person shall drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 20 miles per hour on any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order.
- 5) No speed limit imposed by this Order applies to vehicles falling within Regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011 when used in accordance with Regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

THE COMMON SEAL of the BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

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was hereunto affixed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of August 2020 in the presence of:



**Authorised Signatory** 



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## **SCHEDULE**

Length of road upon which a 20mph speed limit shall apply:

A	The Embankment, Bedford
(i)	Between High Street and Newnham Avenue/Longholme Way

## **STATEMENT OF REASONS**

The Embankment has long been established as the 'Jewel in the Crown' of Bedford, attracting large numbers of pedestrians and cyclists. As numbers of both are expected to increase in the coming months, it is important to ensure a safe and clean environment for all.

The proposed implementation of a 20mph speed limit on The Embankment is aimed at improving air quality and reducing noise pollution, thus improving the character of the area. It is also intended to encourage greater physical activity such as cycling and walking, and to reduce the severity of potential road traffic collisions.

These are key factors in enhancing the amenity value of The Embankment and providing a safe environment for all as they enjoy the river, park and open spaces through which the road passes.

AUTHORITY FOR EXECUTION				
COUNCIL/COMMITTEE	MINUTE No.	DATE		
DELEGATED POWER	By whom executed ENVIRONMENT	11/08/2020		
	OFFICERS INITIALS	DATE		
ORIGINATED AND CHECKED BY	JH	11/08/2020		
APPROVED BY	AP	11/08/2020		

